

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 968

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Ruby Marjorie Potts
on the celebration of her 100th birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Ruby Potts will celebrate her 100th birthday on July 15, 2008, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Potts was born in Franklin and grew up in a farm house just off Union Ridge on Pasquo Road; she is the youngest sister of Ola Mae, Raymond, Herman, William, and Annie; and

WHEREAS, Ruby Potts received her bachelor's and master's degrees from the Peabody College for Teachers and primarily taught fifth and sixth grade for forty-five years; and

WHEREAS, Ruby Potts gave unreservedly of herself to develop this state's most precious natural resource—our children; and

WHEREAS, teaching at South Harpeth, Coleman Brown, and Woodmont, Ms. Potts also served with acumen and alacrity as the principal at Gower Elementary, Stokes, Burton, and Percy Priest before she retired in 1975; she earned the respect of her peers, faculty, staff, parents, and students for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, Ruby Potts was a member of the professional honor society for women educators, Delta Kappa Gamma; and

WHEREAS, as Ruby Potts approaches 11th decade, she is still an active and productive member of society, participating in various civic and community events; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Potts is a person of deep, Christian convictions, and she expressed that faith as a longtime member of Belmont United Methodist Church; she is currently an active and devout member of Hermitage United Methodist Church; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Ruby Marjorie Potts on the celebration of her 100th birthday and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.